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IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

In re Application of:
Eva Ackerman and Randy Gene Clark

Serial No.: 09/764,572

Filed: January 18, 2001

For: Faceplate with Fire Retardant
Material for an Electrical BoxAssistant Commissioner for Patents
Washington, D.C. 20231§
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Atty. Dkt. No.: 041443-00752

Group Art Unit: 1714

Examiner: Patel, Dhirubhai R.

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I hereby certify that this correspondence is being sent
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Examining Group, that being (703) 305-3431, to the
attention of the above named Examiner.8/12/02 *D. Brit Nelson*
Date: D. Brit Nelson

Sir:

RESPONSE TO OFFICE ACTION DATED MAY 23, 2002

In response to the Office Action dated May 23, 2002, having a shortened statutory period for response set to expire on August 23, 2002, please reconsider the claims pending in the application for reasons discussed below. The Commissioner is authorized to charge Deposit Acct. No. 12-1322/041443-00752 any other fees necessary to make this response timely and to credit any overages to the Deposit Acct.

REMARKS

This is intended as a full and complete response to the Office Action dated May 23, 2002. Claims 23-36 stand rejected. The Examiner is respectfully requested to reconsider the rejections and to contact the undersigned if there are any remaining issues that the Examiner believes could be resolved in an interview which could result in allowance of the case.